GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department – O.A.No.6426/2015 filed by Sri S. Arunachalam, S/o late S. Ramakrishnan, Retired Administrative Officer – W.P.No.14061/2019 filed by the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare and another – Implementation of Court Orders – Permission accorded – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (VC.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 766 Dated: 03-11-2025

Read the following: -

1 G.O. Ms. No. 06, HM&FW (VC.I) Department, dated 22-01-2015.
2 Orders dt.25.10.2018 of the Hon'ble APAT in O.A.No.6426/2015 filed by Sri S. Arunachalam, S/o late S. Ramakrishnan, Retired Administrative Officer.
3 Orders dt.07.05.2025 of the Hon'ble AP High Court in W.P.No.14061/2019 filed by the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare and another.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Government imposed a punishment of 5% cut in pension permanently on Sri S. Arunachalam, Retired Administrative Officer, O/o District Medical & Health Officer, Chittoor, on the allegation of misappropriation of Government funds by claiming false medical reimbursement.

2. Aggrieved by the above, Sri S. Arunachalam, Retired Administrative Officer, filed O.A.No.6426/2015 before the Hon'ble A.P. Administrative Tribunal (APAT), and the Hon'ble Tribunal, in its orders dated 25.10.2018 in O.A.No.6426/2015, passed the following order:

> "----Accordingly, the Original Application is allowed setting aside G.O.Ms.No.06, HM&FW(VC.I) Department, Dated:22-01-2015 and directing the Government /1st respondent to restore full pension to the applicant and continue to pay the same to the applicant together with arrears, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of copy of this order".

3. Further, the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare and another have filed W.P. No. 14061 of 2019 before the Hon'ble High Court, seeking suspension of the operation of the order dated 25.10.2018 in O.A. No. 6426 of 2015 of the APAT. The Hon'ble High Court, vide its orders dated 07.05.2025 in the said W.P., passed the following order:

> "-----Since the allegation levelled against the 1st respondent/applicant therein was not established in the departmental proceedings, which has become final and at the instance of the proceedings of the Upa-Lokayuktha, the Government attempted to exercise power under Rule 27 of the C.C.A. Rules, without conducting any enquiry and without setting aside the earlier proceedings which became final departmentally, the impugned proceeding of the above said G.O.Ms.No.6, dated 22.01.2015 was issued imposing 5% cut in the pension permanently for the 1st respondent/applicant therein. The Tribunal elaborately discussed and assigned the reasons which are just and reasonable and as such we see no reason to interfere with the order of the Tribunal.
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> Accordingly, this Writ Petition is dismissed. There shall be no order as to costs. As a sequel, Interlocutory Applications pending, if any, shall stand closed."

4. In the light of the orders passed by the Hon'ble High Court in W.P. No. 14061 of 2019 in the reference 3rd read above, and after careful examination of the matter, the Government hereby decides to set aside the orders issued in the reference 1st read above, and to restore full pension to Sri S. Arunachalam, Retired Administrative Officer**,** and to continue payment of the same along with arrears.

5. The Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SAURABH GAUR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt Sri S. Arunachalam, S/o late S. Ramakrishnan, Retired Administrative Officer
(through the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada)
The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada.
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The PS to Secretary to Government, HM&FW Department
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The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Mangalagiri
The District Treasury Officer, Chittoor
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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER